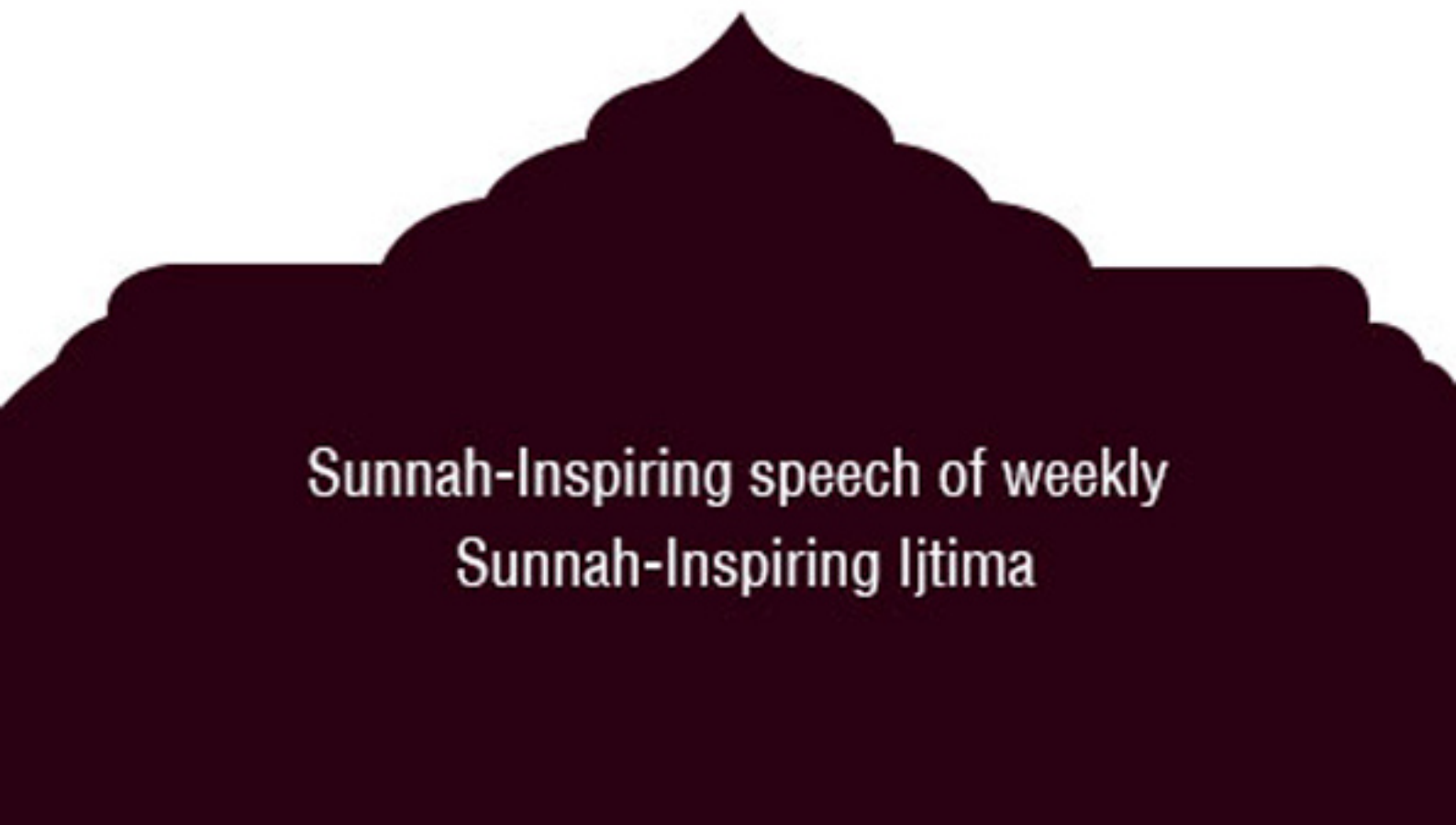




Fear of Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ of Siddiq e Akbar

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(Sayyiduna Abu Bakr Siddique رَضِيَ اللهُ تَعَالَى عَنْهُ)



Sunnah-Inspiring speech of weekly
Sunnah-Inspiring Ijtima

الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ رَبِّ الْعَالَمِينَ وَالصَّلَاةُ وَالسَّلَامُ عَلَى سَيِّدِ الْمُرْسَلِينَ
أَمَّا بَعْدُ فَأَعُوذُ بِاللَّهِ مِنَ الشَّيْطَانِ الرَّجِيمِ بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ

Fear of Allah رَضِيَ اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَنْهُ of Sayyiduna Siddeeq-e-Akbar عَزَّجَلَّ

وَعَلَى الْإِلَهِ وَأَصْحَبِكَ يَا حَبِيبَ اللَّهِ
وَعَلَى الْإِلَهِ وَأَصْحَبِكَ يَا نُورَ اللَّهِ
الصَّلَاةُ وَالسَّلَامُ عَلَيْكَ يَا رَسُولَ اللَّهِ
الصَّلَاةُ وَالسَّلَامُ عَلَيْكَ يَا نَبِيَّ اللَّهِ

نَوَيْتُ سُنَّتَ الْإِعْتِكَافِ

Translation: I have made the intention of Sunnah I'tikaaf.

Whenever you enter a Masjid, observe the intention of 'I'tikaaf' as you remember it because as long as you stay in the Masjid you will keep obtaining the reward of Nafli (supererogatory) I'tikaafs, and eating & drinking will also become permissible for you in the Masjid.

Excellence of reciting Salat- 'Alan-Nabi ﷺ

Sayyiduna Abu Darda رَضِيَ اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَنْهُ has narrated that the Beloved and Blessed Prophet ﷺ has stated, 'The one who recites Salāt upon me ten times in the morning and ten times in the evening will be granted my intercession on the Day of Judgement.'

(Attarhib Wattarhib, Kitab-un-Nawafil, vol. 1, pp. 312, Hadis 991)

چارہ بے چارگاں پر ہوں دُرودیں صد ہزار بے کسوں کے حامی و غمخوار پر لاکھوں سلام

صَلُّوا عَلَى الْحَبِيبِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ

Dear Islamic brothers! Before listening to the Bayān, let's make good intentions for attaining rewards. The Beloved and Blessed Prophet ﷺ has said, 'نِيَّةُ الْمُؤْمِنِ خَيْرٌ مِّنْ عَمَلِهِ' The intention of a believer is better than his action. (Al-Mu'jam-ul-Kabeer, vol. 6, pp. 185, Hadis 5942)

Two Madani pearls

1. Without a good intention, no reward is granted for a good deed.
2. The more righteous intentions one makes the greater reward he will attain.

Intentions of listening to Bayān

1. Lowering my eyes, I will listen to the Bayān attentively.
2. Instead of resting against a wall etc., I will sit in Attahiyyaat position as far as possible with the intention of showing respect for religious knowledge.
3. I will make room for others by folding my hands and limbs and by moving slightly.
4. If someone pushes me, I will remain patient and avoid staring, snapping, and arguing with them.
5. When I hear **صَلُّوا عَلَى الْحَبِيبِ**, **أَذْكُرُوا اللَّهَ**, **تُؤَيُّوْا إِلَى اللَّهِ**, etc., I will reply loudly with the intention of gaining reward and encouraging others to also recite.
6. After the Bayān, I will approach other people by making Salām, shaking hands, and for making individual efforts upon them.

صَلُّوا عَلَى الْحَبِيبِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ

Intentions of delivering a Bayān

1. I also make the intention that I would deliver this speech (Bayān) in order to seek the pleasure of Allah **عَزَّوَجَلَّ** and for reaping the rewards.
2. I will deliver my speech (Bayān) by reading from a book of an authentic Sunni scholar.

أَدْعُ إِلَى سَبِيلِ رَبِّكَ بِالْحُكْمَةِ وَالْمَوْعِظَةِ الْحَسَنَةِ

Translation from Kanz-ul-Īmān: 'Call towards the path of your Lord with sound planning and good advice.' (Part 14, Surah An-Nahl, verse 125)

بَلِّغُوا عَنِّي وَلَوْ آيَةً

'Convey from me even if it is a single verse.' (Sahih Bukhari, Hadis 4361)

3. I would follow these abovementioned commandments by calling people towards righteousness and will forbid them from committing evil deeds.

4. Whilst reciting poetry or speaking Arabic, English, or pronouncing difficult words, I will focus my attention on the sincerity of my heart. That is to say, I will avoid delivering my speech with the intention to impress the audience with my knowledge.
5. I will encourage the people to travel with Madani Qafilahs, to practice upon the Madani In'aamaat and to join the 'Ilaaqa'i Daura for Nayki ki Da'wat' (area visit for calling towards righteousness).
6. I will avoid laughing and prevent others from laughing as well.
7. In order to develop the habit of protecting my eyes from sins I will, as far as possible, lower my gaze.

صَلُّوا عَلَى الْحَبِيبِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ

Fortunate young man of Quraysh

Dear Islamic brothers! Before the arrival of the Beloved Rasool ﷺ, like other people of Arab, the people of Makkah were also drowning in the habit of sins such as committing infidelity & polytheism, adultery, acts of barbarism and drinking alcohols etc., Darkness and ignorance prevailed everywhere and people were astray from the right path; only a handful still managed to refrain from such heinous acts; they were not only averse of all these sins but also remained inquisitive in pursuit of the true path. Among them, there was a person, regarded as being amongst the chieftains and noble figures of the Quraysh. All walks of people, elders and youth treated him with great respect and reverence due to his high nobility and upholding righteousness. Finally, he experienced such a unique incident which brought a revolution in his life. And for the truth, he remained inquisitive and truth was blessed to him. Let's listen to the incident that transpired to this great person, from his own tongue:

I visited Yemen for an important piece of work where I came across an elderly scholar. Having seen me he asked, 'You seem to belong to the Haram (Makka-tul-Mukarramah)?' I replied, 'Yes, I am from Makkah.' He asked, 'Are you from the Quraysh.' I replied in the affirmative. He then asked, 'Are you also a Taymi?' I replied, 'Yes, I am from offspring of 'Taym Bin Murrah'. He then said, 'All signs are true; now one sign is left to witness.' I asked, 'What is that?' He said, 'Show me your belly', I refused to show it and asked him to explain everything first. He replied, 'According to my correct & true knowledge I know that a Prophet will be sent on the soil of Makkah and two persons will help him out. One of them will be a conqueror of wars & will resolve the problems and the second one will be fair complexioned & a slim person; his belly will be carrying a mole and his left thigh will be bearing a sign.'

When I removed the cloth from my belly, he looked at a black mole above my navel and said, 'I take an oath, by the Rabb of the Ka'bah (عَزَّوَجَلَّ)! You are that person, I was supposed to visit you.' I asked, 'Why?' He replied, 'Just to tell you not to deviate from the true path and continue fearing Allah (عَزَّوَجَلَّ) regarding the blessings you have been bestowed.' When I was departing from him, he said, 'Listen to some of my poetry which I have composed in favour of the arrival of that Divinely ordained Prophet (صَلَّى اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ)' thereafter, he recited poetry. When I returned to Makkah, some of my acquaintances, namely: 'Uqbah Bin Abi Mu'ayt, Shaybah, Rabi'ah, Abu Jahl, Abul Bakhtari met me and informed me that, 'A great incident has occurred when you were in Yemen; a nephew of Abu Tālib has declared himself as the Prophet of Allah (عَزَّوَجَلَّ). If you were not here then I would have not waited to make a decision, but since you have arrived, now the decision is in your hands.'

Upon hearing them, I sent them back in a graceful manner and took information about the Noble Prophet ﷺ. I came to know that he ﷺ is at Sayyidatuna Khadeejah's home. I knocked at the door and he ﷺ came out. I asked him, 'O Muhammad (ﷺ)! Why did you abandon the religion of your ancestors?' He ﷺ stated, 'Undoubtedly, I am the Prophet of Allah (ﷻ) to you and all other people, have faith in Allah (ﷻ).' I humbly asked, 'What is the evidence of your Prophethood?' He ﷺ replied, by revealing the news of unseen and hidden knowledge, 'The evidence of my Prophethood is of an elderly man whom you had met in Yemen.' I humbly said, 'I have met many elderly people there.' The Noble Prophet ﷺ said, 'I am talking about that elderly man who had also recited some poetry for you.' Elated with joy, I humbly asked, 'O my Beloved (ﷺ) who told you about this?' The Noble Prophet ﷺ replied, 'It is that exalted angel who used to visit preceding Prophets'.

Listening to this, I was amazed, because it was such a thing that else knew about except for me; surely he ﷺ is a true Prophet of Allah (ﷻ). I spontaneously uttered, 'I testify that there is no god except Allah (ﷻ) and verily testify, you are a true Prophet of Allah (ﷻ)'. I stayed there for a while then came back. In the entire valley, no one was more delighted & joyous than the Beloved Prophet ﷺ upon me reverting to Islam. (Asad-ul-Ghabah, vol. 3, pp. 318)

Dear Islamic brothers! The fortunate Qurayshi young man, the first man to embrace Islam, was none other but the first caliph of Islam, the first successor of the Beloved Prophet ﷺ, Siddeeq-e-Akbar, Ameer-ul-Mu'mineen Sayyiduna Abu Bakr Siddeeq رَضِيَ اللهُ تَعَالَى عَنْهُ. Let's listen more about this great personality followed by some verses of Manqabat (devotional poetry) written by the lover of the blessed household & blessed companions, 'Allaamah Maulana Muhammad Ilyas Attar Qaadiri Razawi Ziyaaee دَامَتْ بَرَكَاتُهُمُ الْعَالِيَةِ:

حقیقی عاشقِ خیرِ الوری صدیقِ اکبر ہیں	یقیناً مَنبجِ خوفِ خدا صدیقِ اکبر ہیں
تقی ہیں بلکہ شاہِ اتقیا صدیقِ اکبر ہیں	نہایتِ مُتقی و پارسا صدیقِ اکبر ہیں
وہی یارِ مزارِ مصطفیٰ صدیقِ اکبر ہیں	جو یارِ غارِ محبوبِ خدا صدیقِ اکبر ہیں
نبی نے جنتی جن کو کہا صدیقِ اکبر ہیں	امیرالمومنین ہیں آپ امامُ المسلمین ہیں آپ
یقیناً پیشوائے مُرتضیٰ صدیقِ اکبر ہیں	عمر سے بھی وہ افضل ہیں وہ عثمان سے بھی ہیں اعلیٰ
امامِ شافعی کے پیشوا صدیقِ اکبر ہیں	امامِ احمد و مالک، امامِ بُو حنیفہ اور
ہمارے غوث کے بھی پیشوا صدیقِ اکبر ہیں	تمامی اولیاءِ اللہ کے سردار ہیں جو اُس
بِلا شک پیشوائے اصفیا صدیقِ اکبر ہیں	سبھی عُلَمائے اُمت کے، امام و پیشوا ہیں آپ
نبی والی ترے، مُشکل گُشا صدیقِ اکبر ہیں	نہ ڈر عطارِ آفت سے خدا کی خاص رحمت سے

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Name, Kunyah and titles

Dear Islamic brothers! The blessed name of the first caliph, the leader of the believers, Sayyiduna Abu Bakr Siddeeq رَضِيَ اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَنْهُ is ‘Abdullāh and his father’s name is (Abu Qahaafah) ‘Usman.

(Sahih Ibn Hibban, vol. 9, pp. 6, Hadis 6825)

His Kunyah [patronymic appellation] is ‘Abu Bakr’. Remember that he رَضِيَ اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَنْهُ is not famous with his name but it is his patronymic appellation through which he رَضِيَ اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَنْهُ is known, his patronymic appellation (Kunyah) is so famous that people consider it his real name, though his blessed name is ‘Abdullāh’. *(Seerat-e-Halbiyah, vol. 1, pp. 390)*

Two titles are very famous for Sayyiduna Siddeeq-e-Akbar رَضِيَ اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَنْهُ: ‘Ateeq’ and ‘Siddeeq’. First time, he was entitled in Islam with the title of ‘Ateeq’. *(Riyaz-un-Nadawah, vol. 1, pp. 77)*

Blessed birth

He رَضِيَ اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَنْهُ was born in Makka-tul-Mukarramah approximately two and half years after the event of ‘Aamul-Feel (the year of the elephant) and 2 years and few months after the blessed birth of the Beloved and Blessed Prophet صَلَّى اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ.

(Al-Asabah, vol. 4, pp. 145; Tareekh-ul-Khulafa, pp. 24; Nur-ul-Irfan, part 26, Al-Ahqaaf, verse 15)

Sayyiduna Siddeeq-e-Akbar’s رَضِيَ اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَنْهُ birth place is Makka-tul-Mukarramah. He رَضِيَ اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَنْهُ would travel out of Makka-tul-Mukarramah merely for business purposes. He رَضِيَ اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَنْهُ was very rich, well-mannered, considerate and a highly honourable person.

(Asad-ul-Ghabah, vol. 3, pp. 316; Tareekh-ul-Khulafa, pp. 24)

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Dear Islamic brothers! Sayyiduna Siddeeq-e-Akbar رَضِيَ اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَنْهُ is generally the most distinguished & highly ranked in all terms, whether it is his ‘Imamat (as a leader in prayer) or his caliphate, whether it is his Karaamah (miracle) or his nobility; whether it is his truthfulness or his bravery. In short, amongst the lovers of the Beloved Rasool صَلَّى اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ there is no parallel to him in any respect; his amazing personality is so dignified & exalted that the more we talk about his commendable & praiseworthy qualities, we could never do justice, in fact no amount of time is enough to entirely cover his blessed. As the topic of our Bayān (speech) is ‘Fear of Allah عَزَّ وَجَلَّ of Siddeeq-e-Akbar رَضِيَ اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَنْهُ’, therefore, I will be privileged to present some Madani pearls about the fear of Allah عَزَّ وَجَلَّ that Sayyiduna Siddeeq-e-Akbar رَضِيَ اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَنْهُ possessed.

Lamentation upon the blessed saying of Noble Prophet ﷺ

Sayyiduna Zayd Bin Arqam رَضِيَ اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَنْهُ has stated: Once we were sitting in the court of Sayyiduna Abu Bakr Siddeeq رَضِيَ اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَنْهُ, water and honey was brought, when it was brought near him, he رَضِيَ اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَنْهُ started weeping bitterly and kept weeping. Seeing him weeping bitterly all the blessed Sahaabah (companions) رَضِيَ اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَنْهُمْ also began to weep and then calmed down but he رَضِيَ اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَنْهُ was still in

tears; even the blessed Sahaabah رَضِيَ اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَنْهُمْ presumed that they would not be able to know the cause of it. Eventually, Sayyiduna Abu Bakr Siddeeq رَضِيَ اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَنْهُ wiped his tears away, the blessed Sahaabah رَضِيَ اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَنْهُمْ then asked: O blessed caliph of the Noble Prophet (صَلَّى اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ) what made you weep? He رَضِيَ اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَنْهُ replied, 'I was once sitting in the blessed court of the Beloved Prophet (صَلَّى اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ), I saw the Noble Prophet (صَلَّى اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ) remove something from his blessed body, though I was not able to see anything. I humbly asked, 'O Beloved Rasool (صَلَّى اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ) what are you removing?' He (صَلَّى اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ) replied, 'Worldliness intended to indulge me, I said to it, go away', it said, 'You have saved yourself from me but the people coming after you would not be able to save themselves from me.' (Shu'ab-ul-Iman, vol. 7, pp. 343, Hadis 10518)

Dear Islamic brothers! Have you seen, Sayyiduna Siddeeq-e-Akbar رَضِيَ اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَنْهُ how bitterly he wept, to such an extent that the blessed Sahaabah رَضِيَ اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَنْهُمْ could not see him in such a sad condition and their eyes also filled with tears. He رَضِيَ اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَنْهُ was weeping bitterly merely with this fear lest he may commit any disobedience to Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ by indulging himself into the love of worldliness and thus incurring the displeasure of Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ. Even though the Prophet of Rahmah, the Intercessor of the Ummah, the Owner of Jannah (صَلَّى اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ) conveyed to him the glad tiding of entering Jannah during Sayyiduna Siddeeq-e-Akbar رَضِيَ اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَنْهُ lifetime and before his apparent passing away; despite this fact, he was deeply overcome by the fear of Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ and on the other hand if we observe our own conditions, how astonishing it is that we do not even know whether we would enter Jannah or Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ forbid we would enter Hell, in spite of these facts we are fearless, our record of deeds is void of virtues but we do not aspire to carry out good acts. If only, we be granted the fear of Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ.

دلِ میرا دنیا پہ شیدا ہو گیا اے میرے اللہ یہ کیا ہو گیا
کچھ مرے بچنے کی صورت کیجئے اب تو جو ہونا تھا مولیٰ ہو گیا

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Meaning of fear of Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ

Dear Islamic brothers! Listen to the meaning of fear of Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ. Fear of Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ implies that the thinking of Divine eternity & absoluteness, Divine wrath, Divine severity and Divine retribution brings embarrassment and sincere worry for a human. (Ihya-ul-'Uloom, Kitab-ul-Khauf war-Rija, vol. 4)

Fear of Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ is one of the mandatory qualities of true believers. Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ has commanded Muslims at many places in the Blessed Quran to adopt this attribute:

وَلَقَدْ وَصَّيْنَا الَّذِينَ أُوتُوا الْكِتَابَ مِنْ قَبْلِكُمْ وَإِيَّاكُمْ أَنْ اتَّقُوا اللَّهَ

Translation from Kanz-ul-Iman: And indeed We have commanded those who received the Books before you, and commanded you to keep fearing Allah. (Part 5, Surah An-Nisa, verse 131)

At another place Allah ﷻ says:

يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا اتَّقُوا اللَّهَ وَقُولُوا قَوْلًا سَدِيدًا ﴿٦٠﴾

Translation from Kanz-ul-Iman: O People who believe! Fear Allah, and speak the right word.

(Part 22, Surah Al-Ahzaab, verse 70)

In another verse, it is stated:

فَلَا تَخْشَوْهُمْ وَاخْشَوْنِ ط

Translation from Kanz-ul-Iman: So do not fear them and fear Me alone. (Part 6, Surah Al-Maidah, verse 3)

Now let us listen to the following blessed words stated by the Beloved Prophet ﷺ, in which he ﷺ has stated the excellence of fearing Allah ﷻ:

1. Sayyiduna Abu Hurayrah رضى الله تعالى عنه has narrated that the Holy Prophet ﷺ has stated: Allah ﷻ says, 'I swear by My Majesty and My Honour! I will not gather two fears, nor do I gather two reliefs for My bondsman; if he remains fearless of Me, I will inflict fear upon him on the Day of Judgement and if he fears Me in the world then I shall relieve him on the Day of Judgement.' (Shu'ab-ul-Iman, vol. 1, pp. 483, Hadis 777)
2. The Blessed and Beloved Rasool ﷺ has stated: If, through fear of Allah ﷻ, tears even the size of a fly's head fall from any truthful believer's eyes and drop onto any part of his face, he will be kept away from Hell by Allah ﷻ. (Shu'ab-ul-Iman, vol. 1, pp. 490, Hadis 802)
3. When a truthful believer trembles with the fear of Allah ﷻ, his sins shed as if leaves shed from a tree. (Shu'ab-ul-Iman, vol. 1, pp. 490, Hadis 803)

تیرے ڈر سے سدا تھر تھراؤں خوف سے تیرے آنسو بہاؤں
کیف ایسا دے، ایسی ادا کی میرے مولیٰ تو خیرات دیدے

صَلُّوا عَلَى الْحَبِيبِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ

Dear Islamic brothers! Indeed, every moment of our lives should remain in the state of trembling with the fear of Allah ﷻ. 'Aashiq-e-Akbar Sayyiduna Siddeeq-e-Akbar رضى الله تعالى عنه was gripped with deep fear of Allah ﷻ. Let's listen to some of his blessed words full of the fear of Allah ﷻ.

If only Abu Bakr were like you!

Sayyiduna Mu'aaz Bin Jabal رَضِيَ اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَنْهُ has narrated that Ameer-ul-Mu'mineen Sayyiduna Siddeeq-e-Akbar رَضِيَ اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَنْهُ once entered an orchard, on seeing a bird perched on the branch of a tree. He رَضِيَ اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَنْهُ heaved a sigh and said: O bird, you are so fortunate; you eat the fruits of one tree, and live under the shadow of a second tree. You have no fear of rendering accounts. If only I were like you!

(Kanz-ul-'Ummal, Kitab-ul-Fazail, Juz 12, vol. 6, pp. 237, Hadis 35696; Shu'ab-ul-Iman, vol. 1, pp. 485, Hadis 788)

کاش کہ نہ دنیا میں پیدا ہوا ہوتا قَبْر و حَشْر کا ہر غم ختم ہو گیا ہوتا
میں نہ پہنس گیا ہوتا آ کے صُورَتِ انساں کاش! میں مدینے کا اُونٹ بن گیا ہوتا

If only I were a hair of a true believer!

Sayyiduna Abu 'Imraan Jawni عَلَيْهِ رَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ الْعَظِيمِ narrated: Sayyiduna Abu Bakr Siddeeq رَضِيَ اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَنْهُ has said, 'If only I was a hair on the body of a true believer.' (Kitab-uz-Zuhd, pp. 138, Raqm 560)

تار بن گیا ہوتا مُرْشِدِی کے گرتے کا مُرْشِدِی کے سینے کا بال بن گیا ہوتا

If only I were a tree!

Sayyiduna Hasan رَضِيَ اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَنْهُ narrated that Sayyiduna Siddeeq-e-Akbar رَضِيَ اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَنْهُ has stated, 'By Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ, I wish I were a tree so that I could be chopped down and consumed.' (Kitab-uz-Zuhd, no: 581)

میں بجائے انساں کے کوئی پودا ہوتا یا نخل بن کے طَیْبَہ کے باغ میں کھڑا ہوتا

If only I were a blade of grass!

Sayyiduna Qataadah رَضِيَ اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَنْهُ has narrated: I have received this information, Sayyiduna Abu Bakr Siddeeq had once stated something like this, 'I wish I were a blade of grass that would be consumed by the animals.' (Jam'-ul-Jawami', vol. 11, pp. 41, Hadis 174; Tabqat-ul-Kubra, vol. 3, pp. 148)

گُلشنِ مدینہ کا کاش! ہوتا میں سبزہ یا میں بن کے اک تِنکا ہی وہاں پڑا ہوتا

صَلُّوا عَلَى الْحَبِيبِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ

Dear Islamic brothers! We have heard some blessed sayings of Sayyiduna Abu Bakr Siddeeq رَضِيَ اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَنْهُ regarding his fear of Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ. Following in the blessed footsteps of Sayyiduna Siddeeq-e-Akbar رَضِيَ اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَنْهُ we too should take accountability of our lives, how many breaths have been taken by us and how many days have been spent in this mortal world? How many stages of life has passed through

from our childhood, youth and old age? And how many times have we felt the fear of Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ? Have we ever trembled with the fear of Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ? Have our eyes ever filled with tears due to the fear of Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ? Have our feet abandoned any sin due to the fear of Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ? Have we ever devoted a night out of our entire lives for worshipping Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ with the fear of His severity & seizure? Have we ever felt frightfulness whilst thinking about the displeasure of Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ? Has any change caused a stir in our hearts in the quest of seeking the pleasure of our Almighty Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ?

If answers to the abovementioned questions are affirmative then ponder even if we have managed to get into these states then whether we were privileged to act upon them according to the practical requirements of fearing Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ or we merely became satisfied with the appearance of these states in our hearts; it means that though we are amongst those who fear Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ but we continued filling our record of deeds with different sins. If answers of abovementioned questions are negative then think carefully, lest our hearts have become hardened like rocks due to committing sins in abundance which caused us to be deprived of these states. If it is so indeed, then it is a matter of great concern because this hardness of our hearts leading to negligence might incur the displeasure of Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ which as a result may throw us into the depths of Hell. (وَالْعِيَاذُ بِاللَّهِ)

دل پہ اک خول سیاہی کا چڑھا جاتا ہے قلب پتھر سے بھی سختی میں بڑھا جاتا ہے

Extreme pain due to the fear of Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ

Dear Islamic brothers! Our beloved Siddeeq-e-Akbar رَضِيَ اللهُ تَعَالَى عَنْهُ was so gentle & extremely soft-hearted that when the blessed Quran was recited before him, he رَضِيَ اللهُ تَعَالَى عَنْهُ would tremble. Sayyiduna Abu Bakr Siddeeq رَضِيَ اللهُ تَعَالَى عَنْهُ has narrated: I was present in the blessed court of the Noble Prophet صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ and this blessed verse of the Quran was revealed:

مَنْ يَعْملْ سُوءًا يُجْزِئِهِ ۖ وَلَا يَجِدْ لَهُ مِنْ دُونِ اللَّهِ وَلِيًّا وَلَا نَصِيرًا ﴿١٢٣﴾

Translation from Kanz-ul-Iman: Whoever does wrong will get the recompense of it – and will not find, besides Allah, any friend or any supporter. (Part 5, Surah An-Nisa, verse 123)

The Holy Prophet صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ has stated: Shall I not recite to you that blessed verse revealed to me? I said, 'Indeed do so, O Beloved Rasool صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ' So the Noble Prophet صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ recited it to me, the moment I listened to this verse, it seemed as if my spinal cord would break; I stretched my body due to pain; upon this, the Prophet of Rahmah صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ said, 'O Abu Bakr, (do not worry), your true believing friends and you will be recompensed for that just in the world, even you will meet Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ in a state of having no sin. But, for the others, their sins will be collected until they are recompensed for it on the Day of Judgement.' (Sunan-ut-Tirmizi, Kitab-ut-Tafseer, vol. 5, pp. 31, Hadis 3050)

صدقہ پیارے کی حیا کا کہ نہ لے مجھ سے حساب بخش بے پوچھے لجا ئے کو لجانا کیا ہے

صَلُّوا عَلَى الْحَبِيبِ صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ

Dear Islamic brothers! The one who fears Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ more, he will be more pious & abstinent. Sayyiduna Siddeeq-e-Akbar رَضِيَ اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَنْهُ was also of the same state.

Quran's testimony to the piety of Siddeeq-e-Akbar رَضِيَ اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَنْهُ

Sayyiduna Abu Bakr Siddeeq رَضِيَ اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَنْهُ is that pious person whose piety is testified to by the Blessed Quran itself:



Translation from Kanz-ul-Iman: It will be far away from the most pious.

The 'most pious' as mentioned in this blessed verse refers to Sayyiduna Abu Bakr Siddeeq رَضِيَ اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَنْهُ.

(Khazain-ul-'Irfan, part 30, Surah Al-Layl, Taht-al-Ayah 17)

Similitude of Sayyiduna 'Ēsā عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام in piety & devotion

Sayyiduna Abu Darda رَضِيَ اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَنْهُ has narrated, the Beloved and Blessed Prophet صَلَّى اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ has stated: 'مَنْ سَرَّهُ أَنْ يَنْظُرَ إِلَى مِثْلِ عِيسَى فِي الرُّهْدِ فَلْيَنْظُرْ إِلَيْهِ: 'i.e., if you want to see the similitude of Sayyiduna Nabi 'Ēsā عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام in piety & devotion, then look at Sayyiduna Abu Bakr Siddeeq رَضِيَ اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَنْهُ.'

(Ar-Riyaz-un-Nadawah, vol. 1, pp. 82)

نہایت مُتَّقٰی و پارسا صَدِیقِ اکبر ہیں تَقٰی ہیں بلکہ شاہِ اتقِیٰ صَدِیقِ اکبر ہیں

Alas! You have destroyed me

Shaykh-e-Tareeqat, Ameer-e-Ahl-e-Sunnat, the founder of Dawat-e-Islami, 'Allaamah Maulana Abu Bilal Muhammad Ilyas Attar Qadiri Razawi Ziyaaee دَامَتْ بَرَكَاتُهُمُ الْعَالِیَہ has mentioned a unique parable regarding the piety & abstinence of Sayyiduna Abu Bakr Siddeeq رَضِيَ اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَنْهُ on the page 774 of the 1st volume of his remarkable book 'Faizan-e-Sunnat':

Once, a slave of Sayyiduna Abu Bakr Siddeeq رَضِيَ اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَنْهُ presented some milk to him. He رَضِيَ اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَنْهُ drank the milk. His slave asked, 'Previously, whenever I presented anything to you, you used to ask about it, but you did not ask about this milk.' Upon hearing this, he رَضِيَ اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَنْهُ asked his slave as to where he had brought the milk from. The slave replied that during the (pre-Islamic) era of ignorance, he had treated a sick person by reciting some incantations and the milk was given to him for it. Listening to this, Sayyiduna Abu Bakr Siddeeq رَضِيَ اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَنْهُ immediately put his fingers into his throat and spewed out whatever milk he had drank. After doing this, he رَضِيَ اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَنْهُ prayed to the Almighty with extreme humility, 'O Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ! I have done whatever I could do; forgive what milk is left in the veins.'

(Sahih Bukhari Manaqib-ul-Ansar, vol. 2, pp. 571, Hadis 3842; Minhāj-ul-'Ābideen, pp. 97)

Dear Islamic brothers! How pious and virtuous Sayyiduna Abu Bakr Siddeeq رَضِيَ اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَنْهُ was! The unbelievers often used to recite polytheistic words & incantations to exorcise patients. This practice dates back to the pre Islamic era of ignorance. As the slave had read incantations during the days of ignorance, Sayyiduna Abu Bakr Siddeeq رَضِيَ اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَنْهُ spewed out the milk he had taken for fear that the slave may have spoken polytheistic words.

یقیناً منبع خوفِ خدا صدیقِ اکبر ہیں حقیقی عاشقِ خیر الوری صدیقِ اکبر ہیں
نہایت متقی و پارسا صدیقِ اکبر ہیں تقی ہیں بلکہ شاہِ اتقیا صدیقِ اکبر ہیں

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Thought provoking Khutbah (sermon) about the Akhirah (Hereafter)

Dear Islamic brothers! Let's listen to a thought provoking sermon about the Hereafter delivered by Sayyiduna Siddeeq-e-Akbar رَضِيَ اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَنْهُ so that it further manifest to us how pious and virtuous and Allah fearing he رَضِيَ اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَنْهُ was. It is stated on page 436 of 686-page book, *Faizan-e-Sunnat*, a publication of Maktaba-tul-Madinah, the publishing department of Dawat-e-Islami:

Sayyiduna 'Abdullāh Bin 'Ukaym رَضِيَ اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَنْهُ has reported, Sayyiduna Abu Bakr Siddeeq رَضِيَ اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَنْهُ once delivered a long sermon, after the praises of Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ, he رَضِيَ اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَنْهُ said: O People! I urge you to adopt piety and perform such praises for the most Justified and the most Truthful Being as it is incumbent upon you as well as seek His blessings too along with fearing Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ. Offer a great deal of supplication (Du'aas) beseeching Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ, because Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ has praised Sayyiduna Nabi Zakariyyah عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام and his family:

Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ says:

إِنَّهُمْ كَانُوا يُسْرِعُونَ فِي الْخَيْرَاتِ وَيَدْعُونَنَا رَغَبًا وَرَهَبًا ۖ وَكَانُوا لَنَا خَشِيعِينَ ﴿٩٠﴾

Translation from Kanz-ul-Iman: Indeed they used to hasten to perform good deeds, and pray to Us with hope and fear; and used to humble themselves before Us. (Part 17, Surah Al-Anbiya, verse 90)

O bondsmen of Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ! Understand it properly that Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ has purchased your lives in return for rightfulness, a pledge has also been taken from you upon it and in exchange for the Hereafter, the world has been bought from you. This is the book of your Rabb عَزَّوَجَلَّ bearing endless wonders & curiosities and inextinguishable light; endorse the words; seek advice from it; obtain enlightenment from it for your dark time; Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ has created us to worship Him and appointed Kiraaman Kaatibeen (blessed angel scribes who record our deeds) upon you who are aware of your deeds. O bondsmen of Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ! Understand it properly, you are speedily approaching death; the knowledge of life after death is kept hidden from you; if you can devote your fixed timings destined for deeds pleasing Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ then certainly you should do so but without the commandment of Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ you cannot do

anything at all and devote yourself performing good deeds before death approaches you. Lest this worldly span of time preoccupies you in evil acts and there were many such nations who wasted their precious time and abandoned their aims & objectives. Therefore, refrain from following such people, make haste and struggle to seek salvation. No doubt, death is approaching you speedily and must overtake you. (*Shu'ab-ul-Iman*, vol. 7, pp. 364, *Hadis 10594*; *Al-Mustadrak*, *Kitab-ut-Tafseer*, vol. 3, pp. 140, *Hadis 140*)

یا رب! میں تیرے خوف سے روتا رہوں ہر دم دیوانہ شہنشاہِ مدینہ کا بنا دے

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Dear Islamic brothers! Before the string of our breaths break and we have left nothing in our hands, we should strive to cultivate a great characteristic like fearing Allah ﷻ. Because if we attain success by developing the fear of Allah ﷻ then, with the blessings of it, we shall be privileged to ward off sins and attain the pleasure of Allah ﷻ. *إِنْ شَاءَ اللَّهُ عَزَّوَجَلَّ*. For the acquisition of this great blessing of the 'fear of Allah ﷻ' six acts in this connection will prove fruitful. Listen to these acts carefully:

Six fruitful acts for achieving the fear of Allah ﷻ

1. Seek true forgiveness in the court of Allah ﷻ and supplicate for the acquisition of this blessing.
2. Keep in view the excellence of the fear of Allah ﷻ mentioned in the Blessed Quran and the blessed Ahaadees.
3. Contemplate upon the torments of Hell keeping your inability and weakness in mind.
4. Go through the biographies of the pious people and those who fear Allah ﷻ.
5. Practice Fikr-e-Madinah for developing the habit of making own accountability of your own deeds.
6. Seek the association & company of such Islamic brothers who are blessed with this great quality.

Dear Islamic brothers! Indeed, being in the company of those righteous people who fear Allah ﷻ helps a person to develop the fear of Allah ﷻ in his own heart as one is affected by the company he keeps.

The Beloved and Blessed Prophet ﷺ has said, indicating the same thing: The similitude of good company and that of bad company is that of the owner of musk and of the one (ironsmith) blowing bellows, and the owner of musk would either offer you free of charge or you would buy it from him or you would smell its pleasant fragrance, and so far as one who blows the bellows is concerned, he would either burn your clothes or you shall have to smell its awful smell.

(*Sahih Muslim*, pp. 116, *Raam-ul-Hadis 2628*)

How does company and environment affect one, understand it in this manner that if we happen to visit a house where somebody has passed away, we observe a kind of sadness & grief everywhere and you would also become sorrowful for a while and if we happen to attend a marriage ceremony, the

environment is full of happiness and enjoyment, this would also make us delight & joyous for a while, similarly, if any person, drifted in heedlessness and adopts the company of those who commit sins fearlessly then there is a strong probability that he will also become like them and if anybody adopts the company of those people ones whose hearts are full of the fear of Allah ﷺ and their eyes are filled with tears due to the fear of Allah ﷺ then certainly, these states will also seep into the heart of this person, إِنَّ شَاءَ اللَّهُ عَزَّوَجَلَّ. Now the question arises where can one find such good company? In order to know the answer to this question, listen to some Madani pearls:

Attend the weekly Sunnah-Inspiring Ijtima' (congregation) of Dawat-e-Islami in your city from the beginning to end. Recitation of the Blessed Quran, Na'at, Sunnah-Inspiring Bayānāt (speeches), Zikr, supplications (Du'aas) whilst weeping, presenting the blessed Salawaat (Durood & Salaam) in the court of the Noble Prophet ﷺ and Halqahs for learning Sunnah & etiquettes etc., will bring a revolution in your heart إِنَّ شَاءَ اللَّهُ عَزَّوَجَلَّ. In addition to this, by practising the blessed Sunnah, you will witness a number of Islamic brothers with lowered gazes due to modesty; white clothing, long hair (zulf), green turbans ('Imamah) and a fistful beard in conformity with the Sunnah as well as their graceful manner of concise conversations as per the requirements and their distinctive quality of utmost courtesy will compel you to think that I need the same Madani environment for attaining success in the Hereafter. It could happen that any of these Islamic brothers may approach you and meet you and may convince you further of the advantages of the Madani environment. As a result you may also return home carrying the Madani aim, 'I must strive to reform myself and the people of the entire world, إِنَّ شَاءَ اللَّهُ عَزَّوَجَلَّ.'

May Allah ﷺ grant us to truly fear Him ﷺ and the true love of the Beloved and Blessed Prophet ﷺ for the sake of the blessed life of Sayyiduna Siddeeq-e-Akbar رَضِيَ اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَنْهُ.

أَمِينَ بِجَاهِ النَّبِيِّ الْأَمِينِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ

مرے اشک بہتے رہیں کاش ہر دم ترے خوف سے یا خدا یا الہی!
ترے خوف سے تیرے ڈر سے ہمیشہ میں تھر تھر رہوں کانپتا یا الہی!

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Summary of Bayān (speech)

Dear Islamic brothers! Today we have listened to the blessed biography of the first caliph, Siddeeq-e-Akbar, Ameer-ul-Mu'mineen, Sayyiduna Abu Bakr Siddeeq رَضِيَ اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَنْهُ that he رَضِيَ اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَنْهُ would weep due to fear of Allah ﷺ. Having seen a sparrow, he رَضِيَ اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَنْهُ would utter: If only I were like you! Sometimes with the fear of Allah ﷺ, he would say: If only I were a hair of a true believer! Sometimes with the fear of Allah ﷺ, he رَضِيَ اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَنْهُ would wish to be a tree and due to the fear of Allah ﷺ, he رَضِيَ اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَنْهُ spewed out the milk. If only we are privileged to attain true repentance for the sake of Sayyiduna Siddeeq-e-Akbar رَضِيَ اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَنْهُ. If only we realize our inability and weakness for the sake of Sayyiduna Siddeeq-e-Akbar رَضِيَ اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَنْهُ. If only we make accountability of our deeds daily.

أَمِينَ بِجَاهِ النَّبِيِّ الْأَمِينِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ

In order to obtain more information about the fear of Allah ﷻ, read the book 'Khauf-e-Khuda'. This is a unique book on the subject of the fear of Allah ﷻ which contains, the excellence of fear of Allah ﷻ, method of acquiring the fear of Allah ﷻ and numerous quotes. Not only should you seek the blessings of this book but also present this book to your relatives as a gift. إِنَّ شَاءَ اللَّهُ عَزَّوَجَلَّ, by reading this book, you will have a priceless treasure of the fear of Allah ﷻ with piety & devotion. One of the beautiful aspects of Sayyiduna Siddeeq-e-Akbar's blessed biography is his true love for the Noble Prophet ﷺ. Read the book 'Aashiq-e-Akbar' for amazing parables full of the true love of the Holy Prophet ﷺ. Your eyes would fill with tears when you read about his enormous & tremendous sacrifices. May Allah ﷻ grant us His ﷻ and the true love of the Beloved Prophet ﷺ.

أَمِينٌ بِجَاهِ النَّبِيِّ الْأَمِينِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ

صَلُّوا عَلَى الْحَبِيبِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ

Travel with the Madani Qafilah

Dear Islamic brothers! One of the great sources of attaining the fear of Allah ﷻ and the true love of the Noble Prophet ﷺ is to travel in the Madani Qafilah of Dawat-e-Islami with the lovers of the Beloved Rasool ﷺ. By travelling with the Madani Qafilah, we will have an opportunity to contemplate on our way of life and will also attain a desire of improving our Hereafter which will lead us to have remorse and regret for our misdeeds; just imagination & picture the torments for committing sins, this will make our hairs stand on end, on the other hand we will realize our inactivity and helplessness and if we have a sincere heart then the tears would trickle down our cheeks due to the fear of Allah ﷻ. With continuous travelling with Madani Qafilahs, this will result in reciting Durood & Salaam instead of worthless talks and foul language and our tongue will become habitual of reciting the Blessed Quran, praising Allah ﷻ and reciting Na'at Shareef. Our hearts, submerged in the love of worldliness will become restless for improving our Hereafter; furthermore, we will be blessed with awareness of devoting ourselves for serving the Deen rather than merely making our worldly life better. اَلْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ عَزَّوَجَلَّ These Madani Qafilahs have brought a Madani revolution in innumerable lives of the youth especially. Let's listen to a Madani Bahaar (Parable) in this connection followed by some fruitful pieces of advices:

Swing in the garden

Impressed by the 'area visit to call people towards righteousness' being carried out in an area of Hyderabad (Sindh, Pakistan), a modern young man attended the Masjid where he listened to a Sunnah-Inspiring speech during which the attendees were encouraged to travel with Madani Qafilahs. Expressing his willingness to travel with a Madani Qafilah, the young man also got his name recorded.

A few days before his departure with the Madani Qafilah, he passed away. Someone from his family had a dream in which he saw the deceased swing cheerfully in a beautiful lush green garden. The dreaming person asked, 'How did you get here?' He replied, 'I have got here with the Madani Qafilah of Dawat-e-Islami! Allah ﷻ has blessed me greatly. Please ask my mother not to grieve for me as I am very comfortable here.'

Khuld mayn hogā hamārā dākhilāh is shān say
Yā Rasūlallāh صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ kā na'rah lagātay jāyāin gayn

Whilst entering Paradise with glory, إِنَّ شَاءَ اللَّهُ عَزَّوَجَلَّ
We will be chanting the slogan 'Yā Rasūlallāh صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ'

صَلُّوا عَلَى الْحَبِيبِ صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ

Majlis Madani Muzaakarah

Dear Islamic brothers! By the grace of Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ, Dawat-e-Islami is progressing by leaps and bounds and its department and Majaalis (boards) are also growing. Madani Muzaakarah is also one of the departments of Dawat-e-Islami. It is said 'Knowledge is a collection of innumerable treasures' and a question is a source of acquiring knowledge. Shaykh-e-Tareeqat, Ameer-e-Ahl-e-Sunnat دَامَتْ بَرَكَاتُهُمُ الْعَالِيَهُ has introduced a question & answer session in order to accomplish the Madani aim of Dawat-e-Islami which is termed 'Madani Muzaakarah'.

Shaykh-e-Tareeqat, Ameer-e-Ahl-e-Sunnat دَامَتْ بَرَكَاتُهُمُ الْعَالِيَهُ has brought a revolution in the hearts of countless Muslims in a very short span of time by delivering speeches and Madani Muzaakarachs full of knowledge & wisdom in his own unique way. Madani Muzaakarachs are also held from time to time. And during this, Ameer-e-Ahl-e-Sunnat دَامَتْ بَرَكَاتُهُمُ الْعَالِيَهُ provides answers to queries regarding different subjects (for example, articles of faith and of actions, Islamic Jurisprudence and religious ordinance, the science of Islamic law, medicine, history and devotional exercises and stipulated religious tasks etc.). These continue in the public view through Maktaba-tul-Madinah in the form of cassettes and printed articles. Do buy and listen to the cassettes of Madani Muzaakarachs from Maktaba-tul-Madinah stalls set up at the weekly Dawat-e-Islami Ijtima'at at various places around the world. إِنَّ شَاءَ اللَّهُ عَزَّوَجَلَّ you will be overjoyed to have obtained a priceless treasure in the form of queries and answers regarding knowledge and ethics. A great number of cassettes & CDs containing Madani Muzaakarachs, comprising of queries and answers, immersed in the true love of the Noble Prophet صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ have already been issued by Maktaba-tul-Madinah and further releases are being processed. Furthermore, there are also countless cassettes of Sunnah-Inspiring Bayānaat. Buy these and listen to them yourselves and make your family members listen as well. إِنَّ شَاءَ اللَّهُ عَزَّوَجَلَّ a Madani environment will develop in your home.

Take part in the 12 Madani works

Islamic brothers associated with the Sunnah-Inspiring Madani environment of Dawat-e-Islami take part in 12 Madani works along with other Madani works. One of these Madani works is the weekly Madani Muzaakarah. Madani Muzaakarah is not something new but it is exactly in accordance to the teachings of the Blessed Quran and Sunnah of the Noble Prophet صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ.

وَذِكْرُ فَإِنَّ الذِّكْرَ تَنْفَعُ الْمُؤْمِنِينَ

Translation from Kanz-ul-Iman: And advise, for advice benefits the Muslims.

(Part 27, Surah Az-Zaariyat, verse 55)

In the Madani Muzaakarah, Ameer-e-Ahl-e-Sunnat **وَامَتْ بَرَكَاتُهُمُ الْعَالِيَهُ** trains people who sit in his company as well as viewers who watch it on Madani Channel by providing answers to queries regarding different subjects (for example, articles of faith and of actions, Islamic Jurisprudence and religious ordinance, the science of Islamic law, medicine, history and devotional exercises and stipulated religious tasks etc.). In short, by travelling in the way of Allah **عَزَّوَجَلَّ**, attending Islamic gatherings and spending time in the Masjid, one earns a great deal of rewards.

صَلُّوا عَلَى الْحَبِيبِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ

Dear Islamic brothers! In conclusion, I take this opportunity to mention the excellence of a Sunnah as well as some Sunan and manners. The Prophet of Rahmah, the Intercessor of the Ummah **صَلَّى اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ** has said, 'He who loves my Sunnah, loves me, and he who loves me will be with me in Paradise.'

(Ibn 'Asakir, vol. 9, pp. 343)

سینہ تری سُنَّت کا مدینہ بنے آقا جَنَّت میں پڑوسی مجھے تم اپنا بنانا

Sleeping & Awakening: 15 Madani pearls

1. Dust the bed so that any insects etc. are removed.
2. Read this Du'ā before sleeping:

اللَّهُمَّ بِاسْمِكَ أَمُوتُ وَ أَحْيَا

O Allah **عَزَّوَجَلَّ**, in Your Name do I die and live (i.e. sleep and awaken).

(Sahih Bukhari, pp. 196, vol. 4, Hadis 6325)

3. Do not sleep after 'Asr as there is a fear of losing the intellect. The Noble Prophet **صَلَّى اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ** has said, 'Whoever sleeps after 'Asr and loses his intellect, should blame himself.'

(Musnad Abi Ya'lā, pp. 678, vol. 4, Hadis 4897)

4. It is Mustahab [preferable] to rest for a while in the afternoon. (Fatāwā 'Ālamgīrī, p. 376 vol. 5)

The sage of Fiqh, the guiding light of spirituality, Mufti Amjad 'Ali A'zamī **عَلَيْهِ رَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ الْقَوِي** says: It is probably for those who remain awake at night offering Salah, making the Zikr of Allah **عَزَّوَجَلَّ** or going through religious books so that they could regain their energy as a result of staying awake at night.

(Bahār-e-Sharī'at, pp. 79, vol. 16)

5. It is Makrūh [disliked] to sleep in the beginning of the day or between Maghrib and 'Ishā.

(Fatāwā 'Ālamgīrī, p. 376, vol. 5)

6. It is Mustahab [preferable], that one sleep in the state of purity.
7. First sleep on the right side [of the body] facing the Qiblah with the right hand under the right cheek for some time, and then along the left side. *(Fatāwā 'Ālamgīrī, pp. 376, vol. 5)*
8. Remember the grave as you go to sleep, as in the grave we will be alone and there will be none but our deeds.
9. Read **اَلْحَمْدُ لِلّٰهِ**, **سُبْحَانَ اللّٰهِ**, **لَا اِلٰهَ اِلَّا اللّٰهُ** until you fall asleep since a person will rise in the same state that he slept in and will be raised in the same state on the Day of Judgment that he died on.

(Fatāwā 'Ālamgīrī, pp. 376, vol. 5)

10. Read this Du'ā upon waking up:

اَلْحَمْدُ لِلّٰهِ الَّذِيْ اَحْيَاَنَا بَعْدَ مَا اَمَاتَنَا وَ اِلَيْهِ النُّشُوْرُ

All praises are for Allah **عَزَّوَجَلَّ** Who gave us life after death and to Him we will return.

(Sahih Bukhari, pp. 196, vol. 4, Hadis 6325)

11. Make a firm intention upon waking up that you will adopt Taqwā [piety] and will not bother others. *(Fatāwā 'Ālamgīrī, p. 376 vol. 5)*
12. When boys and girls turn ten years old, they should sleep separately. Even a boy of this age should not sleep with boys of the same age or with men. *(Durr-e-Mukhtār, pp. 629, vol. 9)*
13. When the husband and wife sleep on the same bed, they should not have a child ten years or older sleeping with them. The rulings for men would apply for a boy when he becomes mature enough to feel lust. *(Durr-e-Mukhtār, pp. 630, vol. 9)*
14. Use Miswāk upon waking up.
15. Offer Tahajjud upon waking up in the night as it is virtuous to do so. The Beloved and Blessed Prophet **صَلَّى اللّٰهُ تَعَالٰى عَلَيْهِ وَاٰلِهٖ وَسَلَّم** has said: The best prayer after the five Fard (obligatory) prayers, is Tahajjud. *(Sahih Muslim, pp. 591 Hadis 1163)*

To learn various Sunan, obtain the following books, *Bahar-e-Shari'at* volume 16 comprising of 312 pages and *Sunnatayn aur Ādaab*, comprising of 120 pages, both published by Maktaba-tul-Madinah. One of the best ways to learn Sunan is to travel in the Madani Qafilahs of Dawat-e-Islami with the lovers of the Beloved Prophet **صَلَّى اللّٰهُ تَعَالٰى عَلَيْهِ وَاٰلِهٖ وَسَلَّم**.

سُنَّتیں سیکھنے تین دِن کے لیے ہر مہینے چلیں، قافلے میں چلو
علم حاصل کرو جہل زائل کرو پاؤ گے رفعتیں، قافلے میں چلو

صَلُّوْا عَلَی الْحَبِیْب صَلَّی اللّٰهُ تَعَالٰی عَلٰی مُحَمَّد

The six types of Salawaat-‘Alan-Nabi that are recited in the Sunnah-Inspiring weekly Ijtima’ (congregation) of Da’wat-e-Islami:

1. The Salat-‘Alan-Nabi for the night preceding Friday

اللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ وَسَلِّمْ وَبَارِكْ عَلَى سَيِّدِنَا مُحَمَّدٍ النَّبِيِّ الْأُمِّيِّ الْحَبِيبِ الْعَالِي الْقَدْرِ الْعَظِيمِ
الْجَاهِ وَعَلَى آلِهِ وَصَحْبِهِ وَسَلِّمْ

The saints of Islam have quoted that whoever recites this Salat-‘Alan-Nabi at least once on the night preceding Friday [the night between Thursday and Friday] on a regular basis will be blessed with the vision of the Beloved and Blessed Prophet ﷺ at the time of death, as well as at the time of his burial into the grave, to the extent that he will see the Noble Prophet ﷺ lowering him into the grave with his own merciful hands. (*Afzal-us-Salawat ‘ala Sayyid-is-Sadat*, pp. 151)

2. All sins forgiven

اللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ عَلَى سَيِّدِنَا وَمَوْلَانَا مُحَمَّدٍ وَعَلَى آلِهِ وَسَلِّمْ

It is narrated by Sayyiduna Anas رَضِيَ اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَنْهُ that the Noble Prophet ﷺ has stated, ‘Whoever recites this Salat upon me whilst standing, then prior to his sitting back; and if he recites it whilst sitting, then before he stands back, his sins will be forgiven.’ (*ibid*, pp. 65)

3. 70 Portals of mercy

صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ

Whoever recites this Salat-‘Alan-Nabi, 70 portals of mercy are opened for him. (*Al-Qaul-ul-Badi’*, pp. 277)

4. Good deeds for 1000 days

جَزَى اللَّهُ عَنَّا مُحَمَّدًا مَا هُوَ أَهْلُهُ

It is narrated by Sayyiduna Ibn ‘Abbās رَضِيَ اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَنْهُمَا that the Noble and Blessed Prophet ﷺ has stated, ‘For the reciter of above supplication, seventy angels write good deeds (in his account) for 1000 days.’ (*Majma’-uz-Zawaid*, pp. 254, vol. 10, Hadis 17305)

5. The reward of 600,000 Salawat-‘Alan-Nabi

اللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ عَلَى سَيِّدِنَا مُحَمَّدٍ عَدَدَ مَا فِي عِلْمِ اللَّهِ صَلَاةً دَائِمَةً بِدَوَامِ مُلْكِ اللَّهِ

Shaykh Ahmad Sawi عَلَيْهِ رَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ الْهَادِي reports from some saints of Islam that the one reciting this Salat-‘Alan-Nabi once receives the reward of reciting Salat-‘Alan-Nabi 600,000 times.

(Afzal-us-Salawat ‘ala Sayyid-is-Sadat, pp. 149)

6. Nearness to the Distinguished Prophet ﷺ

اللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ كَمَا تُحِبُّ وَتَرْضَى لَهُ

One day somebody came [to the blessed court of the Holy Prophet صَلَّى اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ], and the Beloved Prophet صَلَّى اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ made him sit in between himself and Sayyiduna Abu Bakr Siddeeq رَضِيَ اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَنْهُ. The respected companions رَضِيَ اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَنْهُمْ were surprised as to who that honoured person was. When he had left, the Holy Prophet صَلَّى اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ said, ‘When he recites Salat upon me, he does so in these words.’

(Al-Qaul-ul-Badi’, pp. 125)

صَلُّوا عَلَى الْحَبِيبِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ

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